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Bamberg Spouses' Club having a ball to raise funds

Community invited to attend "A night at the Masquerade" charity basket auction

Story by Amy L. Bugala

Going once, going twice, don't miss your chance to take part in the eighth annual Bamberg Spouses' and Civilians' Club "A Night at the Masquerade" charity basket auction on Nov. 16. For one night only, community members are being asked to leave their identities at the door, put on a party mask and get ready to give, anonymously if so desired.

BSCC 1st vice president Cynthia Giesecke and the basket auction committee have a spectacular evening planned for the annual fundraising event at the Warner Club.

"There will be a sense of mystery this year as to who you are bidding against in the live auction and that just adds to the fun," says Giesecke. At the center of it all will be a fast paced live auction led by guest auctioneer Command Sgt. Maj. James Spencer, 16th Sustainment Brigade. Giesecke is confident Spencer's personal-



173rd Special Troops Battalion family readiness group member, Jeanette Bond and rear detachment Staff Sgt. Willie Starks add a few more items to the 173rd STB FRG's "It's all about Europe" theme basket. The cart and its contents will be one of over 25 baskets that can be bid on at the Bamberg Spouses' and Civilians' Club annual charity basket auction. Photo by James Fredrick

ity will keep the bid paddles flying while taking bids on each of the 25 themed bas-

kets during the live auction event.

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Keeping your eyes open: Force protection remains a priority

By Arthur McQueen,
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Security officials are emphasizing the need for increased diligence and awareness about force protection on the part of Soldiers, civilians and family members.

Although terrorism is not a new threat for Americans overseas, recent events have prompted force protection specialists to warn people against complacency.

As reported around the world, on Sept. 4, German special-forces personnel arrested two Germans and a Turkish national for planning to attack U.S. military and civilian targets.

The alleged terror cell members had collected explosives equivalent to 550 kg

of TNT to mount simultaneous car bomb attacks on U.S. military and civil targets, said Monika Harms, German federal chief prosecutor, at a press conference later that week.

"This was one of the most serious terror attacks ever planned in Germany," said Harms, adding that bars and discos frequented by U.S. citizens and a U.S. military base in Hanau may have been among the group's targets.

"There could have been a very big death toll," she said. The amount of explosives collected by the cell exceeded those used in the Madrid train bombings in 2004 that killed 191 people, and the London transport bombings in 2005 that killed 52 people.

Force protection managers for U.S. Army Garrison Heidelberg said they believe individuals and groups have possibly conducted surveillance and urge participation by community members in keeping watch and reporting incidents promptly.

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Force Protection Exercise on Warner Barracks:

Sat. Nov 10 in the morning there will be two simulated explosions at BES. JFK Boulevard will be blocked off at the ITC and building 7091. Traffic will be rerouted to 9th street. Lincoln Ave will become a two way street. There will be some moderate traffic back up at gate 3. There will also be no entrance to the MP station.

(BASKET AUCTION continued)

The fall auction is just one of the larger fundraising events organized by the BSCC, second to the Bazaar with Heart taking place the second weekend in February 2008.

"There is no masquerade to what we do," says Leslie Smith, BSCC president. "The slogan for the club this year is, 'A Community of Helping Hands' and that is precisely what we do," she says. "We are 83 hearts and 83 sets of hands from all ranks and all groups working for this community," she says referring to the membership total this year.

Yearly the BSCC organizes over a dozen community events like the auction that make it possible for the club to fund thousands of dollars in scholarships and grants to individuals and organizations within the Bamberg community.

"Fundraising is what we do best," says Smith. The BSCC takes the management and administrative responsibility inherent to fundraising off smaller organizations, allowing them to focus on what they do best.

15th Army Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps instructor, Maj. (Ret) Madonna Roberts states it clearly, "Bottom line, without the BSCC, we would have to spend more time fundraising and less time doing volunteer work." Last year, the group received funds enabling them to purchase items for the drill team and color guard. "We purchased new covers for the American and JROTC flags," she explains.

Those organizations that receive from the BSCC are no strangers to giving. Giesecke rattles off the list of organizations donating baskets to the auction event this year, among them is the Aqua

Barons swim team whose "Feelin' Groovy" basket brought in the most dollars last year. The auction committee hopes the team's "C'mon Baby...Light My Fire" basket, complete with fire pit and associated accessories, does just as well on the auction block.

"The BSCC's grants off-set the individual swimmers costs to rent a local pool for practice and home meets, enabling us to use team money to purchase training equipment and build a stronger program," says Aqua Barons volunteer coach Ted Hodges.

The business of the BSCC has been going strong for 48 years in Bamberg and when Smith speaks of the "business" of

this group she means just that. It is a business. "We are always looking to make this organization better. The members should be proud of what they do," she says. "This is a lot of volunteer work and we have a lot of talented people that are able to share their talents with the community."

Tickets for the BSCC charity basket auction are on sale now through Nov. 13 at the Thrift Shop (Tue. through Thur. from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.) or by e-mailing reservations@bsccgermany.com. Tickets cost \$15 per person with an Italian dinner or only \$5 without. All tickets include a mask and bidding paddle. Doors open at 6 p.m. To learn more about the Bamberg Spouses' and Civilians' Club log-on to www.bsccgermany.com

Library activity teaches American Indian tradition

Briana Gilyard, (9) daughter of Chief Warrent Officer Drayton Gilyard, 173rd Brigade Support Battalion, learns how to construct a totem pole during a National American Indian Heritage Month activity at the Bamberg library on Nov. 6. Totem poles were traditionally carved from the trunks of tall cedars to record the history and ancestry of a particular clan, illustrate folklore or commemorate individuals.

Celebrate diversity and learn more about American Indians by attending the Nov. 21 National American Indian Heritage month event at the Bamberg Elementary School. The Pow Wow starts at 1:45 p.m. and features American Indian dancers. For more information contact Sgt. 1st Class Curtis Freeman at DSN:469-8624.

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"We want everyone to be aware of their surroundings," officials said, "there are many groups with different purposes and agendas that intend to do us harm, as individuals or to our assets."

"There has been an increase in activity over the last six months. Unfortunately, many people think it can never happen to them," said Issac Martin, USAG Heidelberg chief security manager. He added that neighborly behavior and common sense actions to avoid crime are some of the best ways to stay safe. He recommends taking the Anti-terrorism Level I training at <https://atlevel1.dtic.mil/at>, which is accessible from any computer.

At home he practices what he preaches, checking his car every day. "I take a walk around, make sure there isn't anything under the tires or hanging from the gas cap," he said.

US Army Garrison Bamberg Force Protection Program Manager, Keith P. Brewer recommended that Americans living off-post learn the layout of their neighborhood, such as knowing alternate roads from your home and never taking the same route on a consistent basis, and alternating times you go to work and return home if your command allows for flex times. Post a list of emergency contact numbers in your home that both adults and children can use to call in the event of an emergency. Learn some of the local language and take note of unusual behavior.

"My neighbors know I am an American but I don't display it to everyone. I try my best to fit into the local community and never stand out!" Never make yourself a "Target of opportunity!"

For Soldiers or family members going downtown; always use the buddy system. Avoid bars or clubs that are known for having heavy concentrations of Americans

Listen to all threat and general information distributed through garrison and unit Family Readiness Group (FRG) channels; utilize this information to plan trips or outings. Watch the Command Information Channel daily for updates.

Recently in Bamberg, a soldier was approached by a person asking very blunt and suspicious questions. Thanks to the awareness being put out by the Garrison Security and Force Protection Officers as

well as all installation units, the incident was immediately reported and tracked.

Don't take chances with suspicious activity, if it doesn't seem right, it probably is not. Report all incidents of suspicious activity immediately to your local FRG (if a family member), the Military Police, 66th MI, unit S2, Garrison Security Officer or Antiterrorism Force Protection Officers. Your information is kept in the strictest confidence.

Some examples of suspicious activity might include a package sitting next to the PXtra, or adjacent to a housing entrance. You could even see a package sitting next to a trash dumpster that is empty. What we are trying to say is this "Any activity reported will be investigated. Better safe than sorry" Brewer said.

"One of our biggest problems is receiving accurate information in reports". Key items of information are key in the development of a profile. As a minimum: If it's a vehicle, get the make and model, license plate number. Never confront anyone you believe to be suspicious and do your best to remain inconspicuous and always keep a safe distance to observe. Get the description of any person you believe to be involved in the activity you have witnessed and report it right away.

Warner Barracks residents can report suspicious activity to any of the agencies listed below. The safety and security of information, our forces and their Families depend on your actions.

Bamberg Force Protection Office:**DSN:469-7509 / 8877****Installation Security Information Office:****DSN:469-8810****Criminal Investigation Division (CID):****DSN:469-8056 / 9200****66th Military Intelligence Group:****DSN:469-8742 / 9083****Spyline Hotline:****DSN:347-3479 or CIV:01655-60-3479****Military Police (non-emergency line):****DSN:469-8700****Emergency Operations Office (EOC):****DSN:469-7492 / 8395**

Safety and Force Protection tips

TRAVEL SAFETY

- Alternate parking places and driving routes
- Lock your car and look for tampering
- Keep at least a half-full tank
- Drive with windows up and doors locked
- Watch mopeds/cycles
- Use concealed baggage tags and spend as little time in airports as possible
- Know the location and phone number of the U.S. Embassy and other safe locations

OFF-DUTY SAFETY

- Vary shopping and eating establishments
- Don't establish a pattern
- Know how to use the local phone system, carry a telephone card
- Know emergency numbers
- Avoid crowded areas
- Use the buddy system
- Blend into the local environment by dress and behavior

FORCE PROTECTION

- **ALPHA:** General warning of possible terrorist activity, the nature and extent of which are unpredictable
- **BRAVO:** An increased and more predictable threat of terrorist activity.
- **CHARLIE:** An incident occurs or when intelligence is received indicating that some form of terrorist action is imminent
- **DELTA:** A terrorist attack has occurred in the immediate area, or intelligence has been received that terrorist action against a specific location is likely.

Community Announcements



Bamberg Veteran's Day Parade

A Veteran's Day Parade will be held at Bamberg Warner Barracks on Mon. Nov. 12 at 10:45 a.m. The parade will start at the Bamberg High School and ends at Memorial Park. Come show your support for the Bamberg VFW, JROTC, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and more!!

Accept the Great American Smokeout Challenge!

Are you thinking about giving up cigarettes but unsure if you are ready to make the commitment? Join millions of other Americans who are giving up smoking for the day, and possibly forever, on Thur., Nov. 15 during the 31st annual Great American Smokeout. There will be an information table at the Bamberg commissary from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. During lunchtime, Ray's Diner will be offering "Cold Turkey Sandwiches" in honor of those trying to kick the habit.

Do not forget that the Bamberg Health Clinic is now offering monthly smoking cessation classes every fourth Tuesday of the month, except in December. Contact the Bamberg Health Clinic to sign up for the course at DSN:469-7772.

You don't have to go it alone.



Worlds Apart, Together We Run 5K fun walk/run

MWR is sponsoring a 5K fun walk/run in conjunction with the 173rd ABCT to help foster "family ties" between Soldiers down-

range and their family members and communities on Sat. Nov. 17 at 9 a.m. USAG Vicenza, USAG Schweinfurt, USAG Bamberg and each FOB downrange with 173rd Soldiers will hold a 5K walk/run before Nov. 30. Run will be held on Nov. 17 at Warner Barracks. Participants can sign up as individuals or in teams. Teams may consist of spouses, couples, families (3), families (4) or families (5). Prizes will be awarded in each age group for individual runners and for family/couple teams based on the best combined times. Come out and work as a team with your deployed Soldier. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. at Pendleton Field at the track. For more details contact Charles Williams at DSN:469-7597. or email to charles.w.williams@us.army.mil.

Community yard sale Sat. Nov. 17

A community wide yard sale will take place on Sat. Nov. 17 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Both on-base and off-base residents can set up sale items in the parking lot across from Bldg. 7000, or in their yard. No permits and no fees are required for this day. Take advantage of this opportunity to get rid of your unwanted stuff! For more information please contact the Consumer Affairs office at DSN:469-7713.

German-American Red Cross Blood Drive Nov. 21

Help our German neighbors at the German-American Red Cross blood drive on Wed. Nov. 21 at the Basics Bldg. 7110 from 1 to 5 p.m. This blood is used by regional medical systems to treat trauma victims in local hospitals, including members of the US military community. Donors must have returned from deployments in Afghanistan, Iraq or Kuwait before March 2007 and have not received any vaccinations for the past 6 weeks. Please call the American Red Cross office at DSN:469-1760 with any questions.

November is National American Indian Heritage Month

Celebrate the unique cultures of the American Indian's when Native American dancers hold a Pow Wow at the Bamberg Elementary School on Nov. 21 at 1:45 p.m. For more information contact Sgt. 1st Class Curtis Freeman at DSN:469-8624.

Experience traditional German Christmas

Looking for something to do over the holiday season? Experience a traditional German Christmas by participating in the Christmas Good Cheer program this holiday season. The program brings Soldiers together with local German families for one or two days

from Dec. 24 through Jan. 1. No German speaking skills required as many of the host families can speak English and have visited the United States. Soldiers can go alone or share the experience with a friend. To sign up get an application from your unit Sgt. Maj. or from the Public Affairs Office, Bldg. 7089. Please sign up by Dec. 6. For more info call DSN:469-1600.

2007 Holiday mailing deadlines Europe to CONUS

Don't get left in the cold. Mail early! To ensure your packages sent to the United States are delivered before Christmas, mail them no later than the dates listed below.

SAM Parcels	Tue. Nov. 27
PAL Parcels	Tue. Dec. 4
Priority Parcels	Tue. Dec. 11
First Class Letters	Tue. Dec. 11
Express Mail	Thur. Dec. 20

Closures / Changes

No more free shipping for appliances from downrange

Effective immediately: electric appliances such as televisions, stereos, microwaves, fans, coffee pots, etc. may no longer be mailed back to Germany free through the Military Postal Service, (MPS) from downrange locations in Southwest Asia (Iraq, Kuwait, Israel, Sinai, Turkey, Afghanistan or Horn of Africa). However, these items may continue to be mailed back home to Germany through the "MPS" system with postage paid by the deployed Soldiers. For questions regarding this or other mailing regulations, contact the Bamberg Postmaster at DSN:469-8754.

Health Clinic Holiday schedule

The Bamberg Health Clinic will have closures during the upcoming holiday season. Be sure to mark your calendars for these days. During closures all emergencies should go to the Bamberg Klinikum.

Wed. Nov. 21 –Closed at noon
Thur. Nov. 22 and Fri. Nov. 23 –Closed
Fri. Dec. 21—Closed at noon
Mon. Dec. 24 and Tue. Dec. 25 –Closed
Mon. Dec. 31 and Tue. Jan. 1 –Closed

For more information please contact the Bamberg Health Clinic Executive Officer 1st Lt. Jose Sanfeliz at DSN:469-8619 or CIV:0951-300-8619.

ACS closed day after Thanksgiving

Army Community Services will be closed Fri., Nov. 23 in addition to Thanksgiving Day. All ACS services will be unavailable for the day so please plan accordingly.

Weekly Reminders

Unit Prevention Leader training

The Army Substance Abuse Program (ASAP) is offering Unit Prevention Leader (UPL) Certification Training Nov. 26 to 30. UPLs are an integral part of a unit substance abuse program with duties that include managing and administering the unit's drug testing program, providing substance abuse prevention education to all unit Soldiers, and acting as a liaison between the unit and the ASAP. Each unit should have at least two currently certified UPLs. Candidates for UPL Training must be E-5 or above, not currently enrolled in the ASAP, and not under investigation for any substance abuse related issue.

For more information or registration contact Darlene Copeland, Prevention Coordinator, at DSN:469-1710, or George Riddle, Drug Testing Coordinator, at DSN:469-7588. Registration deadline for this course is Nov. 16.

3D training offered by ASAP

Unit Commanders and First Sergeants, are you looking for a way to knock out some of your unit's mandatory training courses all in one day? Sign your unit up for one of the Drunk and Drugged Driving (3D) Month Training Seminars being offered by the Army Substance Abuse Program and the USAG Bamberg Health Promotion Committee. The training sessions will be offered on Tue. Dec. 4 and Thur. Dec. 6, and will run from 1 to 5 p.m. Some of the topics that will be included are:

- Alcohol awareness and celebrating sober
- Overview of the Adolescent Substance Abuse Program
- Legal Consequences of DUIs and drug positives
- Family Advocacy and the Sexual Assault Program
- Sexually Transmitted Diseases
- Tobacco prevention
- How to beat the holiday blues
- Winter driving
- Suicide Prevention

This is a great way to ensure that the Soldiers in your unit have received a variety of valuable prevention and safety information as we head into the holiday season. For registration, please contact Darlene Copeland, Prevention Coordinator, at DSN:469-7038.

Think safety! Snow tires are a must

Driving in the winter time in Germany can be challenging. Snow tires not only increase your safety level; inappropriate tires can lead to a fine between 20 and 40 Euro. MWR Auto Skills is now offering a special for balancing and mounting your snow tires throughout November: Get your tires changed and balanced for \$6 per tire. That's 50% off the regular price! If you are a spouse of a deployed Soldier, your snow tire mounting and balancing is free! Call Auto Skills at CIV:0951-300-7546 to make an appointment today.

Kids and Teens

2008 Scholarships for Military Children Program now open



Applications for the \$1,500 scholarships are available at 264 commissaries worldwide or, new this year, you can fill out your application online at

<http://www.commissaries.com>,
<http://www.militaryscholar.org>, or
<http://www.dodea.edu>

Girl Scouts host Discover Your Inner Beauty retreat

The Bamberg and Schweinfurt area Girl Scouts will be hosting a Discover Your Inner Beauty Weekend Retreat. The retreat will be held Fri. Nov. 30 to Sun. Dec. 2 in Schweinfurt and is open to all young ladies, both Girl Scouts and non-Girl Scouts ages 14 to 17. The young ladies will attend a variety of sessions over the weekend covering such issues as self-esteem, self-confidence, anti-violence/bullying, stress management, healthy choices and more. There is even a workshop for parents. Volunteers and donations of items for the goodie bags are needed for the retreat. Registration deadline is Nov. 20, and cost of registration is \$20 for non-Girl Scouts and \$15 for Girl Scouts. To receive a registration form or to find out about volunteer opportunities, please contact Patti Sahli at CIV:0951-297-3679 or email for more information at discoveryourinnerbeauty@yahoo.com.

School News

BES calendar

Nov. 12 Veterans Day - Federal Holiday
Nov. 22 Thanksgiving - Federal Holiday
Nov. 23 Friday - Recess Day

Unit News

16th SB Christmas/Holiday Ball

The 16th Sustainment Brigade will be holding their Holiday Ball at the Bamberg Kongresshalle on Fri. Dec. 14 at 6 p.m. All Soldiers, family members and guests of the 16th Sustainment Brigade are invited to attend. Dress code is informal/business casual. Tickets are 39 Euros per person and are on sale now. For more information or to purchase tickets contact Cpt. Chan Lam at CIV:0160-128-9246.

Job Opportunities

BES needs substitute teachers

Bamberg Elementary School is looking for qualified, experienced educators to fill substitution teaching positions. Applicants must have a baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution with at least 18 semester hours of course work in the field of professional teacher education. Stop by the BES main office Mon. through Fri. from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. for an application or call DSN:469-7616 or CIV:0951-300-7616 for more information.

Earn money as SKIES instructor

The Bamberg CYS SKIES Unlimited program is looking for instructors to teach classes in art, music, ballet/jazz/tap, fitness, sewing, computers, photography, cosmetology, SAT Prep, Spanish or any skill you may have that can be taught to the youth in the Bamberg community. SKIES is also looking for academic tutors. Please contact Archie Johnson at DSN:469-7452 for more information.

Family Advocacy Specialist needed

USAG Bamberg Army Community Service (ACS) will be soliciting for a Family Advocacy Program Specialist in the near future. Please contact the Regional Contracting Office at CIV:0951-300-9383 or go on their website at www.usacce.army.mil/frc for further details.

Job opportunities listed online

For all job opportunities in the local area and world-wide go to the U.S. Army Civilian Personnel Online Web Site at www.cpol.army.mil Job search and resumix application assistance is available through the Bamberg ACS Employment Readiness Office. Please call Jeffery Card at DSN:469-7787 for more information.

Attend the Army Family Covenant signing ceremony and quarterly community town hall tonight, Nov. 8 at 6 p.m. at Preston Hall.



Do your part to save energy and conserve natural resources. Check back weekly for great energy saving and recycling tips brought to you by the Bamberg Environmental Office.

Energy saving tips

- Turn off your electrical stove or oven about 10 minutes before the dish is ready- this saves energy.
- Food that are kept in the refrigerator should just be taken out for a minimal time.
- If the rubber seal in the door frame of your kitchen refrigerator has turned porous, replace it.

Recycling tips for home and office

- Join a library to borrow books instead of buying new ones.
- Avoid bottled drinks in bars and restaurants and go for the tapped version instead.
- Buy recycled products.

For more information on what you can do to save our natural resources and help reduce the effects of global warming contact the Bamberg Environmental Office at CIV:0951-300-7730.

Entertainment & Leisure

See The Wizard of Oz at the Stable Theater

Follow the yellow brick road to the Stable Theater and reserve your seat today for the The Wizard of Oz starting on Thur. Nov. 8. The production is based on the movie and is a must see for the entire family. The show will run from Nov. 8 to 11 and Nov. 15 to 18. Tickets can be reserved by calling DSN 469-8647 and are \$9 for adults, \$7 for students, E4 and below.

Saturday Skate Night at the Roller Realm

Come to the Roller Realm and have fun at Skate Night on Sat. Nov. 17. from 3 to 7 p.m. skating is open to the whole community, 7 to 10 p.m. for grades 6-12 only. Admission is \$4, skates can be rented for \$1. For more details call CIV:0951-300-7452.

Turkey Bowling at Birchview Lanes

Roll a real turkey and get a strike to win a free turkey Sat., Nov. 17 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Birchview Lanes Bowling Center. Each frame costs \$1.

BSCC'S 2007: A Night at the Masquerade Charity Basket Auction

Don't miss the annual Bamberg Spouses' and Civilians' Club Charity Basket Auction. You can spend a Night at the Masquerade on Fri., Nov. 16. Doors open at 6 p.m. at the Warner Club. Cost is \$15 per person (dinner included) or \$5 for entrance (bidding paddle included). Tickets are on sale now at the Thrift Shop or make reservations by e-mail at reservations@bsccgermany.com. Please RSVP by Nov. 13.



Baskets await your bid during the LIVE Auction! Here is just a preview of what you can bid on and more!

- *The Best of Bamberg Basket*
- *C'mon Baby...Light my Fire!*
- *Evening in Italy Basket*
- *A Pasta Dinner Basket*
- *Community of Helping Hands (Pamper the Volunteer) Basket*
- *Winter Wonderland Basket*
- *Mexican Fiesta Basket*
- *Gourmet Dinner Basket*
- *Wine Basket*
- *R&R Basket...and More!*

Attire: It's a Night at the Masquerade. Leave your identity at the door, all masks welcome. However, if you do not own a mask, we will have simple masks available upon entry. Just join the fun. Proceeds from all BSCC events help fund grants and scholarships for groups and members of the Bamberg community.

Trips & Travel Opportunities

Take a trip with ODR in November

Take a trip this November with Bamberg Outdoor Recreation.

Weekend Nov. 10-12 Snowboard & Ski \$195

We're headed to Austria for some early season glacier skiing and riding. Trip includes transportation and lodging with breakfast and dinner. Get reduced rentals and an equipment tune-up at the ODR ski shop. Departs the CAC at 10 a.m. on Nov. 10 and returns approx. 10 p.m. on Nov. 12.

Fri. Nov. 16 Dinner and Wine Tasting \$50

Join us for a unique dining experience at the historic Schloss Bittenheim. The event includes a three-course dinner and tasting of five wines from the renowned vineyard Bodega Miguel Merino. We will also have a special presentation from Mr. Miguel Merino Jr. on modern winemaking in the Rioja region of Spain. Price includes dinner, wine and transportation. Departs the CAC at 6 p.m., returns approx. 11 p.m.

Weekend Nov. 22-25 Alps Skiing & Riding \$249

Our first long snow trip of the season will be to the Kitzsteinhorn Glacier and resort in Kaprun, Austria. We'll have 3 days on the snow with free beginner and intermediate snowboard lessons throughout the weekend. You'll also be able to demo new skis and boards from the top companies. Includes transportation and lodging with breakfast and dinner. Departs CAC at 10 a.m. Nov. 22 and returns at approx. 10 p.m. Nov. 25.

Sat. Nov. 24 Czech Shopping \$35

Hop on our motor coach for a trip to Karlovy-Vary and Cheb to get your holiday shopping started. All trip goers must have a valid passport. Includes transportation. Departs CAC at 7 a.m. and returns approx. 9 p.m.

Trips fill up quickly, so reserve your seat now. Contact the CAC for more info at DSN:469-8659.

AAFES Bamberg Movie Schedule

AAFES Reeltime Theater is
CLOSED Tue. and Wed.



Thur. Nov. 8	Superbad (R)	7 p.m.
Fri. Nov. 9	Dan in Real Life (PG-13)	7 p.m.
Sat. Nov. 10	Mr. Bean's Holiday (G)	4 p.m.
	Dan in Real Life (PG-13)	7 p.m.
Sun. Nov. 11	Mr. Bean's Holiday (G)	4 p.m.
	Balls of Fury (PG-13)	7 p.m.
Mon. Nov. 12	Dan in Real Life (PG-13)	7 p.m.
Thur. Nov. 15	Balls of Fury (PG-13)	7 p.m.
Fri. Nov. 16	Shoot 'Em Up (R)	7 p.m.
Sat. Nov. 17	Bee Movie (PG)	4 p.m.
	Shoot 'Em Up (R)	7 p.m.
Sun. Nov. 18	Bee Movie (PG)	4 p.m.
	The Brave One (R)	7 p.m.
Mon. Nov. 19	Shoot 'Em Up (R)	7 p.m.
Thur. Nov. 22	Bee Movie (PG)	7 p.m.
Fri. Nov. 23	Halloween (R)	7 p.m.
Sat. Nov. 24	Fred Claus (PG)	4 p.m.
	Halloween (R)	7 p.m.
Sun. Nov. 25	Fred Claus (PG)	4 p.m.
	Mr. Woodcock (PG-13)	7 p.m.
Mon. Nov. 26	Fred Claus (PG)	4 p.m.
Thur. Nov. 29	Mr. Woodcock (PG-13)	7 p.m.
Fri. Nov. 30	3:10 to Yuma (R)	7 p.m.

Outside the Gate**Weekend Events in and around Bamberg****Friday, November 9**

- All day Opening of Anne Frank exhibition (see blurb)
 6 p.m. "Der Freischuetz" by Carl Maria von Weber at String Puppet Theater (*Untere Sandstraße 30*)
 9 p.m. Star concert: Philipp van Endert Trio at the Jazz Club (*Obere Sandstrs. 18*)

Saturday, November 10

- 11 a.m. Arts and crafts fair at Spiegelsaal (*Schillerplatz 5*)
 11 a.m. "Real Fakes" - special exhibition at the Levi Strauss - 5 p.m. Museum. See blurb.
 7:30 p.m. Musical "Jesus Christ Superstar" at Landestheater Coburg (*Schlossplatz 6, 96450 Coburg*)
 8 p.m. "Messa Da Requiem" by Guiseppe Verdi at Dreifaltigkeitskirche church (*Martin-Luther-Platz, Erlangen 91054*)
 8 p.m. Neil Young birthday concert at Sound'n'Arts (*Obere Sandstrasse 20*)
 8 p.m. Mandoline and guitar concert at Neues Palais (*Luitpoldstr. 40a*)
 8p.m. Oriental Friendship Night with Turkish music and belly dance performances at ETSV club home (*Brennerstr. 15*)
 8:45 p.m. Noche Latina at Luitpold Café (*Schoenleinsplatz 4*)
 9 p.m. "A capella assonanz" at Jazz Club (*Obere Sandstrs. 18*)
 9 p.m. Tango Argention dance night at Haas Saele (*Obere Sandstrs. 18*)
 10 p.m. Dark metal style music on two floors at Top Act (*Hauptstr. 25, Zapfendorf*)
 10 p.m. 30 plus party (non-smoking) at Live Club (*Obere Sandstrasse 7*)
 10 p.m. Techno party at Morph Club (*Siechenstrasse 7a*)

Sunday, November 11 - St. Martin's Day (see blurb)

- 5 p.m. A musical voyage to the Medieval Ages at Schlosskirche church (*Schlossplatz 4, Lahm 96274*)
 5 p.m. Organ concert of the Bamberg Symphony Orchestra at Congress hall (*Musstrasse 1*)
 5 p.m. Basketball: Brose Baskets play Ludwigsburg at Jako Arena (*Forchheimerstrasse 15, next to Kaufland store*)
 9 p.m. Special concert: Jerry Bergonzi quartett and Reanto Chicco at the Jazz Club (*Obere Sandstrs. 18*)
 9 p.m. "Blue Sunday" at Blues Bar (*Obere Sandstrasse 18*)

Ice Skating

Have fun at the Ice Skating Stadium at Hassfurt. The season lasts from now till March: Freizeitzentrum Hassfurt (*Grosser Anger 33, Hassfurt 97437*). General opening hours are Wednesdays 2:30 - 4 p.m., disco 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., Thursdays 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m., Fridays 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., Saturdays 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. (Ice Disco), Sundays 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Call for opening hours in case of hockey matches CIV:09521-94-94-44.

Attend the Army Family Covenant signing ceremony and quarterly community town hall tonight, Nov. 8 at 6 p.m. at Preston Hall.

Martinstag - Saint Martin

November 11 is a special day in the U.S., Canada, and German-speaking Europe, but when Americans are observing Veterans Day/Remembrance Day, most Austrians and German Catholics are celebrating a different kind of holiday. Martinstag or Martini commemorates Sankt Martin (who lived 317-397 a.d.), Bishop of Tours, one of the most revered European saints. The best-known legend connected with Saint Martin is the dividing of the cloak. Martin, when still a soldier in the Roman army, tore his cloak in two to share it with a freezing beggar at Amiens. Today this is celebrated by many schools and kindergartens with processions of children with candle-lit lanterns on one evening around this time. The children will sing traditional songs and follow a rider dressed up as St. Martin. In former times, Martini was the "official" start of winter and the 40-day Christmas fast. Today Martinstag is the unofficial start of the Christmas shopping season in Germany.



Levi Strauss and denim

Levi Strauss, born as Loeb Strauss on Feb. 26, 1829 in Buttenheim, was the German born creator of the blue jeans. He founded his namesake company, Levi Strauss & Company, in 1853 in San Francisco. After Strauss had left Europe in 1843, he joined his brothers in New York City. Later he moved to San Francisco, where the California Gold Rush was still going on. The story goes that miners complained about the easily torn cotton wear, which gave Strauss the idea to make a rugged overall trouser for them fashioned from brown canvas sailcloth, with storage pockets nearly impossible to split. Once Strauss exhausted the original supply, he switched to a sturdy fabric called "serge", that was made in Nîmes, France: "Serge de Nîmes". The name eventually became "Denim". See his home and a special exhibition on fake jeans in the Buttenheim Levi Strauss Museum (Marktstr. 33, Buttenheim 96155).

Anne Frank Exhibition

From Nov. 9 to Dec. 20, there is an exhibition on Anne Frank at the Villa Dessauer (Hainstrasse 4). Opening hours Mon to Fri 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sat & Sun 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Anne Frank was a Jewish girl who wrote a diary while in hiding with family and friends in Amsterdam during the German occupation of the Netherlands in World War II. After two years the group was betrayed and transported to concentration camps. Seven months after her arrest, Frank died in the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp. Her father, the only survivor of the group, returned to Amsterdam after the war to find that her diary had been saved. It became one of the world's most widely read books and it provides an intimate examination of daily life under Nazi occupation and in hiding; through her writing, Frank has become one of the most renowned and discussed Holocaust victims.

As seen in the NEWS ...

News summaries from Nov. 3 to Nov. 7

Bamberg won "Nature Protection Community 2007"

In the competition "Federal Capital of Nature Protection", the City of Bamberg won the third place in the size category 30.001 to 100.000 inhabitants. A delegation with Mayor Werner Hipelius received the certificate at a ceremony in Berlin.

Bamberg students support 13 poor kids from Nepal

The E.T.A Hoffmann High School donated more than 10,000 Euro to the Children's Support Nepal. For the past ten years the Bamberg school has been one of the biggest supporters of that support organizations.

Karolinenstrasse soon closed for traffic

Lord Mayor Starke received 3593 signatures against the closure of the road. Those undersigned are people from the area affected by the sealing of Karolinenstrasse in downtown Bamberg. Despite the people's protest, the closure will start Dec. 3.

Final collection presented

After 60 years the Bamberg textile enterprise Wunderlich Modelle is leaving the market. Costs of production became too high, 26 employees have been fired. After the closure in spring 2008, Bamberg will lose one of the last companies of this kind.

Lord Mayor starts charity bet

Lord Mayor Andreas Starke had started a bet stating that the City of Bamberg will be capable of raising one Euro for each Bamberg citizen as a donation to the Ethiopia charity project "Menschen fuer Menschen" (people for people) - an ambitious bet considering Bamberg's 70,000 inhabitants. An account has been set up for donations: Account Nr. 18, Sparkasse Bamberg (bank), BLZ (bank number) 770 500 00. All are called to participate. The bet is with the founder of the project, Karlheinz Boehm, and will last till March 16, 2008, Boehm's birthday.

Citizens' initiative wants to protect world heritage

The citizens' initiative "Save the Michaelsberg" criticizes the City of Bamberg and the Sozialstiftung (a foundation running senior citizen homes, etc) for discussing their construction plans in the Berggebiet area non-publicly. The fear is that new constructions will negatively affect the world heritage buildings.

Police warning: Tricksters in Bamberg

The Bamberg police issued a warning for citizens. Currently, a group of tricksters is active in the city. The most recent case was a 30-year-old man with short black hair who had approached elderly people. He sold them a cheap metal ring, pretending it was real gold. So far, ten cases have been reported.

Two female reverends ordained

At Erloeserkirche, the protestant dean Otfried Sperl welcomed two female reverends. Regional bishop Wilfried Beyhl introduced the two to their new office. Many visitors came to meet and greet the ladies in robes.

14 cars sprayed with paint

Friday night in Hallstadt near Mainstrasse/Muehlhofstrasse 14 cars were sprayed with light blue and silver paint. The police are calling for eye witnesses to call CIV:0951 - 9129310.

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